

Mr. Eddy moved to postpone the bill until the 4th day of July next; lost by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Burks, Eddy, Grimes, Hart, Hill, Reaves and Taylor—7.

NAYS—Messrs. Bigelow, Bogart, Dancy, Davis, Doane, Duggan, Ford, Gray, Kinney, Merriman, Meusebach, Parker, Scott, Sterne, Truit and Wilson—16.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 20, 1852.

The Senate was called to order by the President, pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Rev. Mr. Smith—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Truitt presented the petition of Geo. W. Browning; referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Duggan presented the petition of John Harwood; referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Dancy presented the petition of sundry citizens of Bastrop; referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Merriman presented the memorial of Ashbel Smith; referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Taylor made the following report:

The committee on Private Land Claims have examined the petition of Charles R. Slaughter, and find from the facts presented that Mr. Slaughter emigrated to Texas in the year 1840, and was a single man, and, under the law, was entitled to a head-right for 320 acres of land. The committee, therefore, report a bill for his relief, and recommend its passage.

A bill for the relief of Charles R. Slaughter; read first time.

Mr. Grimes made the following report:

The committee on Finance, to which was referred a joint resolution for the benefit of Thomas Wm. Ward, have obtained the evidence of his rank of captain of artillery at the storming of Bexar in December, 1835, which they submit, and trust that it will be satisfactory to the Senate.

Mr. Davis, chairman of the committee on State Affairs, reported back to the Senate a bill setting apart and reserving two leagues of land around each military post on the frontier for the present

use and occupancy of the United States troops, and recommend its passage.

Mr. Hart, from the committee on Public Lands, to which were referred a bill for the relief of Jesse Billingsly, assignee of Noah Smithwick, and a bill for the relief of Noah Smithwick, reported the same back to the Senate for their consideration.

Mr. Day made the following report :

The committee on Public Lands, to which was referred a bill for the relief of William McFarlin, have had the same under consideration ; and a majority of the committee have instructed me to report it back, and recommend its passage.

Mr. Ford introduced a bill to amend the several acts for the incorporation of the city of Austin ; read first time.

Mr. Merriman introduced a bill to incorporate the Trinity College ; read first time.

Mr. Bigelow introduced a bill to incorporate the Brownsville Rail-road Company ; read first time.

Mr. Taylor introduced a bill supplementary to an act concerning the estates of deceased soldiers, approved December 17, 1851 ; read first time.

Mr. Grimes introduced a bill to provide for payment, in part, of the debt of the late Republic of Texas ; read first time.

On motion of Mr. Gray, the rule was suspended, bill read second time, and referred to the committee on Public Debt.

Mr. Hill, chairman of the committee on Public Debt, to which was referred the petition of McKinney & Williams, reported a bill for their relief ; which was read a first time.

Mr. Hill, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of H. R. W. Hill, reported a bill for his relief ; which was read first time.

On motion of Mr. Parker, Mr. Ford was added to the various standing committees of which the late Senator Burleson was a member.

On motion of Mr. Bigelow, a bill to create the sixth military division was taken from the table and placed among the orders of the day.

On motion of Mr. Bogart, a bill to prevent locations and the patenting of land within the limits of the grant known as Peters' colony, was taken from the table and placed among the orders of the day.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed a bill to create the county of Orange, a bill concerning irrigation property ; and a bill appropriating a

certain public building in the city of Austin for the use of the Supreme Court.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The following bills were severally read a third time and passed, to wit:

A bill granting relief to certain pre-emption claimants, by extending the time within which said claimants are required, by the second section of an act passed January the 22d, 1845, "granting to settlers on vacant public domain pre-emption privileges," to have the land, including their improvements, covered with a valid certificate; and

A bill to provide for the publication of an abstract of land titles.

A bill authorizing the issuing duplicate land warrants; read third time and rejected.

On motion of Mr. Gray, the vote just taken was re-considered, and bill laid on the table.

Mr. Taylor moved to re-consider the vote which adopted the amendment offered by Mr. Hill, to a bill making appropriations for the improvement of rivers, by inserting after the word "Trinity," as follows: "\$22,500 to be applied to the improvement of the Trinity river above Magnolia, and \$22,500 to be applied below Magnolia."

On motion of Mr. Davis, the motion was laid on the table.

A bill to apportion the Senators and Representatives of the Legislature among the several counties of this State, according to the requirements of the constitution; read.

Mr. Meusebauch offered the following amendment:

Strike out, in section 1, No. 27, the words "and Comal," and add "Comal," in No. 31; adopted.

Mr. Eddy offered the following amendment:

Amend the third section—

In 32d line, strike out "Jasper" and insert "Tyler."

33d line, strike out "Sabine" and insert "Jasper."

34th line, strike out "Sabine" and insert "Tyler."

37th line, strike out "Tyler" and insert "Sabine."

So as to read as follows:

32d—Angelina and Tyler, one.

33d—Newton and Jasper, one.

34th—Angelina, Jasper, Newton, and Tyler, one.

37th—Sabine, one. Adopted.

Mr. Davis moved to amend first section by striking "Trinity" out of the 16th Senatorial District.

On motion of Mr. Davis, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Taylor moved to strike out "thirty-three," in second line of first section ; lost by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Burks, Dancy, Davis, Day, Doane, Ford, Gray, Kinney, Parker, Sterne, Taylor and Truit—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bigelow, Bogart, Duggan, Eddy, Grimes, Hart, Hill, Merriman, Meusebach, Reaves, Scott and Wilson—13.

Mr. Day offered the following amendment :

Strike out "thirty" and insert "twenty-six," in second line of first section ; rejected by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Burks, Dancy, Davis, Day, Ford, Kinney and Truit—8.

NAYS—Messrs. Bigelow, Bogart, Duggan, Gray, Grimes, Hart, Hill, Merriman, Meusebach, Parker, Reaves, Scott, Sterne, Taylor and Wilson—15.

Mr. Scott offered the following amendment :

Strike out of the 6th Senatorial District, the word "Van Zandt," and add to the third Senatorial District, after the word "Hunt," the words "Van Zandt" ; adopted.

Mr. Armstrong offered the following amendment :

In section 3, 43d line, strike out "Walker and Grimes," and insert "McLennan" ; and in 48th line, strike out "McLennan" ; rejected.

Mr. Armstrong offered the following amendment :

Amend third section, 50th line, after "Burleson," insert "and Milam" ; and in 48th line, strike out "Milam" before "Bell" ; adopted.

Mr. Scott offered the following amendment :

Strike out "Harrison and Upshur," in line 17, section 3, and add "three" for Harrison in line 15, section 3 ; adopted.

Mr. Wilson offered the following amendment :

Strike out "Kinney," in the 29th, and insert it in the 31st Senatorial District ; adopted.

Mr. Eddy offered the following amendment :

Amend 4th section by striking out "Jasper" and insert "Tyler" for the 32d District : strike out "Sabine" and insert "Jasper" in 33d District ; adopted.

Mr. Bogart moved to amend by adding "Collin," in 7th District, 3d section ; carried.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock p. m.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

The question being on the amendment offered by Mr. Davis striking out "Trinity" from the 16th Senatorial District,

On motion of Mr. Davis, the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis moved to re-consider the vote which adopted the amendment offered by Mr. Eddy to the third section; lost.

Mr. Bigelow offered the following amendment:

Strike out "Cherokee and Anderson," and give Anderson two Representatives; rejected.

Mr. Davis moved to amend by striking out "Trinity" from the 16th, and adding it to the 13th; adopted.

Mr. Kinney moved to amend by striking out "Starr and Refugio," in the 29th District.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill and amendment were laid on the table, and made the special order of the day for Thursday the 22d.

A bill for the relief of Napoleon Devaltz, his legal heirs or assigns; read, and on motion of Mr. Hill, laid on the table.

Joint resolution proposing to amend the third section of the 10th article of the constitution; read third time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bigelow, Bogart, Burks, Day, Eddy, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Meusebach, Parker, Reaves, Scott, Taylor and Truit—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Davis, Duggan, Hill, Merriman and Wilson—5.

A bill to incorporate the Goliad Bridge Company; read third time and passed by a constitutional majority.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, a joint resolution proposing to amend the second section of the 10th article of the constitution was taken up, read second time, and referred to the committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Hill, a bill relating to lands in Peters' colony was made the special order of the day for to-morrow.

A bill to create the sixth military division; read third time.

On motion of Mr. Kinney, "Nueces" was inserted after "Webb," in the third and last lines of first section; the bill was then passed.

A bill for the relief of Martha C. Lee;

A bill for the relief of Christopher Troutz;

A bill for the relief of the heirs of James Goacher, senr., deceased, and

A bill for the relief of Silas M. Grace, were severally read a third time and passed.

A bill to incorporate the Trinity Turnpike Company, and a

bill to incorporate the White Oak Bridge Company ; read severally a third time, and passed by a constitutional majority.

A bill making appropriations for the improvement of rivers ; read, and on motion of Mr. Davis, laid on the table.

Joint resolution to amend the 30th section of the General Provisions of the Constitution ; read second time, and on motion of Mr. Hill, referred to the committee on Finance.

A bill granting two leagues of land to the Chapel Hill college in Titus county ; read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to amend and continue in force an act to incorporate the Colorado Mining Company, and other companies for similar purposes, &c. ; read second time, and on motion of Mr. Dancy, referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

A bill to extend the provisions of an act approved February 8, 1850, to investigate land titles in certain counties therein named ; read second time, and on motion of Mr. Wilson, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Joint resolution for the payment of George T. Wood two thousand one hundred dollars ; read second time and referred to the committee on Finance.

A bill requiring the assessors and collectors to take the number of those entitled to do military duty ; read second time and referred to the committee on the Militia.

A bill for the relief of John Conner, a Delaware Chief ; read second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bigelow, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 21, 1852.

The Senate was called to order by the President pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Rev. Mr. Smith—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Taylor made the following report :

The committee on Private Land Claims, to whom was referred the petition of A. McKenzie, have considered the same, and find that a headright certificate for one league and one labor was issued to him in Houston county—that the same was not recommended by the travelling board of land commissioners—that on or about the 4th day of July, 1847, the certificate was placed in the hands of Ochiltree & Jennings, attorneys, for the purpose of